

## Contest Inevitable Over Rabbit Islands When War Is Ended

Constantinople, Aug. 29.—(Associated Press Correspondence)—A contest for the possession of Rabbit, Imbros, Tenedos and Lemnos Islands is bound to be one of the principal features of the peace negotiations marking the end of the European war, according to a neutral diplomat here. The informant would not have his name mentioned, but he is a man who is considered here as thoroughly conversant with affairs in Russia.

"One has but to look at the map to realize that the power installed upon the islands of Imbros, Lemnos, Tenedos and the group known as the Rabbits, will be the master of the Dardanelles and the approaches to them," said he. "That power, at present, is Great Britain. It is not for me to say what the Russian government thinks of seeing Great Britain in possession of such splendid sites for the establishment of another Gibraltar. I know, however, that the Russian government has already seriously considered that possibility, and on two occasions sounded the British government what its intentions were. What the reply was, I do not know."

Up to last October the islands, with the exception of the Rabbit group, had been provisionally occupied by Greece by virtue of the treaty of London. They are of great strategic importance owing to their location and proximity to the entrance of the Dardanelles. In addition to controlling the approaches to the strait, the islands also command the adjacent Levant and European coastlines.

The larger of the Rabbit Islands is only nine and one half English miles from the Dardanelles entrance, and about five miles from Yenikoi on the Anatolian coast. It consists of a single low hill, which is said to be excellently suited as the site of a large number of coast batteries. On the southern coast of the island a harbor and base for small war craft, such as submarines, torpedo boats and destroyers, could be easily established. With the great range of modern guns, entry into and exit from the Dardanelles could be controlled without difficulty from this position. A range of nine and a half miles ensures effective fire. The forts at Kum Kaleh and Seddul-Bahr could be bombarded by batteries on Rabbit Island.

No less important in such a scheme is the island of Imbros. Its eastern shore is situated about twelve and a half miles from Seddul-Bahr and thirteen miles from the main channel of the Dardanelles entrance. The bays of the island are suited for naval stations, while batteries on the shore south of Cape Gefeale could efficiently support the batteries on Rabbit Island in an operation against ships wishing to enter or leave the strait. What this would mean is best understood when it is borne in mind that on March 18, the "Queen Elizabeth's" main battery of 16-inch guns bombarded the forts of Teknahak Kaleh from a distance of about 18,000 yards, or a little more than ten English miles. Since the ships in the entrance would not have the excellent cover enjoyed by the Turkish batteries, a totally different result would have to be looked for. The batteries on Imbros and Rabbit Islands would fire from a stationary base and would take their target under a cross fire.

With the island of Lemnos also in possession of the power holding Rabbit and Imbros Islands, the Dardanelles could be closed tighter than ever, according to military and naval men here. This island is 41 miles from the entrance to the strait, and

by virtue of location and proper distance admirably suited as a naval base against the Dardanelles. While such a base could be established on Imbros Island, that point is too close to the Dardanelles, and not centrally located, to serve well for that purpose. The British have already realized this, and, while keeping a large number of vessels in the Cefalo Bay, Imbros Island, maintain their naval base against the Dardanelles at Lemnos.

The passage between Imbros and Lemnos Islands is but 13 miles wide, and can easily be closed by batteries on the opposing shores. The waters between Lemnos and the island of Tenedos could be commanded by coast batteries and the warships maintained at the Lemnos base. In this manner egress from, and ingress to, the Dardanelles would be rendered most difficult. If not impossible, whenever it pleased the power holding these islands to make them so.

That the possession of the islands of Imbros, Lemnos and Tenedos could be made a strong military and political factor, was realized by the convention of London, which ended the Balkan war. Greece was permitted to provisionally occupy these islands, firstly, because Greece had neither the interest, nor the means, to fortify them against the Dardanelles, secondly, because the majority of their inhabitants were Greeks.

The islands were occupied by Great Britain last October and December, the process of gradual assimilation extending practically to this date, however, for it was only recently the British government announced the temporary occupation of the island of Lesbos or Mytilene. Greek military and civil authority has become a mere term in the islands.

What amounts to a virtual blockade of the Bulgarian port of Dedegatsch by the British fleet, has also drawn attention to the occupancy by the British of the Aegean Islands. Dedegatsch is only 45 miles from Imbros Island, a fact which has caused the Bulgarian press to view conditions in the northeast reaches of the Aegean sea with considerable anxiety and resentment. Since the Greek port of Salonika would also be under the influence of a strong British base near the Dardanelles, no satisfaction with the new status of the island has been expressed by the Greek press, especially since the wholesale "bringing-up" of Greek vessels by the British fleet.

### ARM IS BROKEN AGAIN

Little Roy Ashley Fell Yesterday Afternoon and Rebreaks Arm.

Roy Ashley, the 13-year-old son of Sheriff and Mrs. Ashley, fell yesterday afternoon and broke his arm which was just getting well from a fracture received four weeks ago. The little fellow was playing with a dog and rope and in some way he was tripped down. The splints had just been taken from his arm yesterday which had been placed there when it was broken the first time while cranking an automobile.

No Use.

"Do you ever go fishing on Sunday?"

"No; it's wrong," replied the small boy.

"I'm glad to see you have such high principles."

"Yes, sir; nobody ever catches any fish around here, not even on Sunday."—Washington Star.

## YOUNG LADY IS KILLED IN RUNAWAY SCRAPE

WAS THROWN FROM BUGGY  
AND SKULL FRAC-  
TURED

### DIED YESTERDAY

Was Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ellison Who Live in This County Near Easley.

Miss Ximena Ellison, the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ellison, who live about five miles south of Easley in Anderson county, died yesterday morning about 11 o'clock as the result of injuries received in a runaway accident Friday.

Several members of the family were on the way to St. Paul's church, where protracted services were being held last week, when the horse which they were driving bolted and threw the young lady from the vehicle, striking her head against a stone and producing unconsciousness. She sustained a fracture of the skull from which she died yesterday morning.

Mrs. Ellison was also slightly injured. The funeral services were held yesterday.

## DEATHS

MRS. HENRIETTA V. STEPHENS

Died at Home in This City Yesterday Afternoon. Funeral Monday.

Mrs. Henrietta Virginia Stephens, widow of the late J. W. Stephens, died at her home, 1004 North Main street yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock, after a lingering illness of about eight months. Mrs. Stephens was in her sixtieth year and had lived for quite a while in the city of Anderson, coming here from the home of her birth and childhood, Norfolk, Va. Mrs. Stephens was a gentle Christian woman, who illustrated in her every day life the beauty of true womanhood. She was a great lover of her home and filled it with the attractiveness of her personality and the expression of that personality in the form of woman's deeds in the realm where every true wife and mother is ambitious to be queenly and attractive. She made her home all that could be desired and it was the happy resort of many of her friends and neighbors who knew her and loved her.

Mrs. Stephens was a member of the First Presbyterian church of Norfolk, Va., and loved so well the happy associations of her childhood that she was loathe to sever the connection with the church where she was reared, although her life was consecrated to the cause of her Master and made its contribution to His praise here where she lived and died. She illustrated the patience and gentleness which the Grace of God can produce in the life of a Christian. Delicate of health for many years she was always cheerful and patient and made a strong testimony to the cause of Christ by her unassuming submission to the will of God.

She is survived by one child, Mrs. O. F. Taylor, of this city; two sisters, Mesdames A. T. Stryker and John Broughton of Norfolk, Va.; three brothers, Messrs. A. W. and C. H. Willet, of Princess Anne county, Virginia, and Mr. Walton W. Willet, of Savannah, Ga.; Mrs. Stryker and Mr. Walton Willet were with her at the time of her death.

The funeral services will be conducted from the residence on North Main street Monday morning at 10 o'clock, by the Rev. Dr. W. H. Frazer, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city.

### Well, Hardly.

"The train struck the man, did it not?" asked the lawyer of the engineer at the trial.

"It did, sir," said the engineer.

"Was the man on the track, sir?" thundered the lawyer.

"On the track?" asked the engineer.

"Of course he was. No engineer worth his job would run his train into the woods after a man, sir."

Ladies' Home Journal.

### A Weak Diet.

A certain father who is fond of putting his boys through natural history examinations is often surprised by their mental agility. He recently asked them to tell him "what animal is satisfied with the least amount of nourishment."

"The moth!" one of them shouted, confidently. "It eats nothing but holes."—You'll a Companion.

### A Gentle Hint.

"I see you have your arm in a sling," said the inquisitive passenger. "Broken isn't it?"

"Yes, sir," responded the other passenger.

"Met with an accident?"

"No, broke it while trying to pat myself on the back."

"Great Scott! What for?"

"For minding my own business."—Ram's Horn.

Fault-finder (in front of dairy restaurant)—I notice the word dairy on your new sign is spelled d-i-a-y-y.

Proprietor—I know it is. I was going to have it changed, but the painter convinced me his way of spelling the word was more suggestive.

Fault-finder—More suggestive?

Proprietor—Yes; he said it conveyed the idea of putting things down.—Judge.

## Rhode Island Judge Killed for Revenge.



Judge Willis S. Knowles.

Within a few hundred feet of his summer home at Lake Moswaucut, at Scituate, Judge Willis S. Knowles, who for seven years presided over the Eighth District court at Providence, R. I., was shot to death.

No one saw the murderer, who made good his escape. So near was a judge to his home, which he had left to take a trolley car to his office in Providence, that his housekeeper, Mrs. Cora Wardell, heard the three shots which were fired at him, and also heard a man's voice shouting:

"Now I've got you, you —!"

She ran from the house, and a short distance away saw the judge's head above a hedge that shuts off the lawn of the house from the highway. Before she reached him he had fallen and was dead.

Eggorous in his punishment of offenders, the judge had many enemies. His life had been threatened repeatedly; on more than one occasion shot had been fired at him; several warning letters had been sent to him; he had confided to his friends that he believed he was in danger, and, on the suggestion, he always armed himself with a revolver when driving or walking about the country.

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TIPTON S. BLISH  
Seymour, Indiana

Mr. W. J. Greenwood,  
Special Agent,  
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Thompson acknowledges with thanks receipt of your letter of July 1st and returns herewith the receipt form properly signed. She is very much pleased with your prompt adjustment of the policy, and I want to express my appreciation of your kindness.

Yours very truly,  
T. S. Blish.

On June 29th, the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company paid a claim, resulting from the Lusitania disaster, in settlement of a policy issued December 8, 1914, less than five months before the sinking of the Lusitania. The insured was Mr. E. Blish Thompson, of Seymour, Ind. His policy with the Mutual Benefit was on the 10-Payment Life Accelerative Endowment plan. Mr. Thompson was 32 years of age, and was Secretary of the Blish Milling Company, dealers in flour, and was bound for Europe on business. His wife was beneficiary. It is a rather remarkable fact that the insured in this case took the Mutual Benefit policy for investment rather than protection.

There was one other Mutual Benefit policyholder lost in the Lusitania disaster—Rev. James A. Beattie, connected with the Board of Foreign Missions, Arcot Mission, who with his wife had started for India. Mrs. Beattie was aboard the Lusitania with her husband, but she was saved. This Mutual Benefit policy was issued in 1891 on the 20-Payment Life plan, at age 30, for \$2,000. The insurance was payable to wife of the insured. Settlement was made by the Mutual Benefit in full, July 13th, the final dividend of \$15.26 being included in addition to the face of the policy. Check has been sent to Europe.

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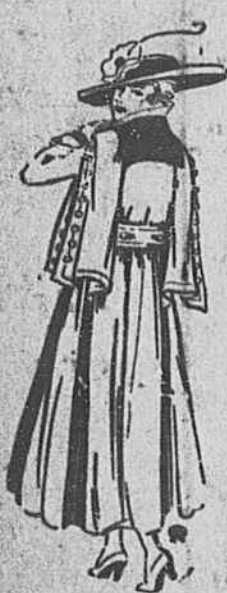
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